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RAIN POURS DOWN AS WILL VANDOM ARRIVES AT HEATHERFIELD FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME...
SHE MEETS FOUR SPECIAL GIRLS AND THEY BECOME INSTANT FRIENDS, SHARING GREAT ADVENTURES AND...
...MAGIC POWERS!
THIS IS THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR THAT CONTAINS ALL THE ENERGIES OF YOUR...
...POWERFUL ELEMENTS!
WATER!
FIRE!
EARTH!
AIR!
AND HEART!
I, THE ORACLE, PRESENT THE FIVE GUARDIANS OF KANDRAKAR, CHOSEN TO PROTECT THE BALANCE OF THE WORLDS!

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On Your Side
"Tear them apart. You've got to sneak into their lives..."
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HEATHERFIELD, 8 AM.
THIS IS A DISASTER! A CATASTROPHE... A DISASTROPHE!
KATE CULTURAL EXCHANGE
THAT STUPID ALARM CLOCK JUST HAD TO GO OFF LATE TODAY, OF ALL DAYS!
CHOMP... MUNCH... THE PRINSHIPAL'S GOING TO SHCREAM AT ME...
T UMP!
NOOO!
SPLASH
KATE CULTURAL EXCHANGE
SPLOSH
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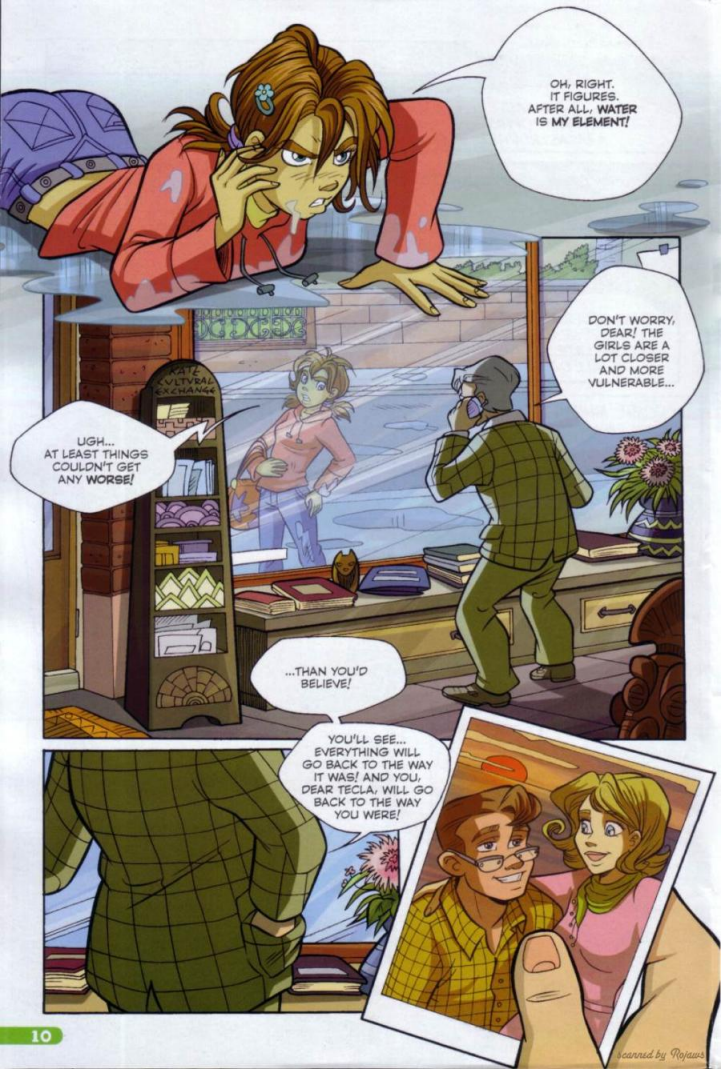
OH, RIGHT. IT FIGURES. AFTER ALL, WATER IS MY ELEMENT!
DON'T WORRY, DEAR! THE GIRLS ARE A LOT CLOSER AND MORE VULNERABLE...
UGH... AT LEAST THINGS COULDN'T GET ANY WORSE!
...THAN YOU'D BELIEVE!
YOU'LL SEE... EVERYTHING WILL GO BACK TO THE WAY IT WAS! AND YOU, DEAR TECLA, WILL GO BACK TO THE WAY YOU WERE!

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SHEFFIELD INSTITUTE.
NOW THAT I'VE INTRODUCED THE STUDENTS FROM THE KATE CULTURAL EXCHANGE CENTER, THE ASSEMBLY IS OVER!
I'LL LEAVE YOU WITH THE TASK OF GIVING YOUR NEW CLASSMATES A WARM WELCOME!
WHERE ON EARTH IS IRMA?
HOW SHOULD I KNOW?
I'M SORRY, ERIN, BUT THE GIRL WHO'S HOSTING YOU ISN'T KNOWN FOR BEING PUNCTUAL!
NO PROBLEM!
MAYBE SHE'S A LATE SLEEPER... WHICH WOULD MEAN WE'VE GOT SOMETHING IN COMMON!
COURTNEY! BESS!
WOULD YOU KEEP ERIN COMPANY UNTIL IRMA GETS HERE?
YOU CAN COUNT ON US, MS. KNICKERBOCHER!
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WE'RE SORRY YOU GOT STUCK WITH IRMA LAIR!
YEAH! SHE'S THE MOST PAINFUL PAIN AROUND!
OH, COME ON! SHE CAN'T BE THAT BAD!
TAKE IT FROM US! SHE'S EVEN WORSE!
I HEAR THE GIRL YOU TWO ARE HOSTING TRAINS FLEAS AS A HOBBY!
REALLY?
!!!
THAT'S GROSS!
WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE HER STOP IT!
PFFFFT...
HA! HA! HA! I WAS ONLY KIDDING!

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IRMA, EVERYONE'S BEEN WAITING FOR YOU AND... HEY! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
I WAS ATTACKED BY A PUDDLE!
...
WOULD YOU STOP STARING AND GIVE ME A HAND?
SORRY... HERE YOU GO! A WARM SOUTHERN BREEZE! SURE BEATS A HAIRDRYER, HUH?
THANKS, HAY LIN!
Restored by Rayuen
HEY! MY HAT!
THAT'S STRANGE! IT HASN'T BEEN WINDY TODAY!
THERE! THAT MUST BE THEM!
WELL, ERIN... IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IRMA, ASK BLONDIE OVER THERE!
HUH?

HI! NICE TO MEET YOU! I'M CORNELIA.
I'M WILL...
AND I'M TARANEE. WE'RE IRMA'S FRIENDS. IF YOU WANT, YOU CAN WAIT FOR HER WITH US!
?
OH, SURE! SORRY, I WAS LOST IN MY THOUGHTS FOR A SEC!
THAT HAPPENS TO EVERYONE! YOU'RE ERIN, RIGHT?
YES, ERIN PEYTON! NICE TO MEET YOU!
YOU DON'T KNOW HOW THANKFUL WE ARE! IT WAS A GREAT IDEA TO HAVE EXCHANGE STUDENTS COME HERE! THAT WELCOME ASSEMBLY LET US SKIP AN HOUR OF PHYSICS!
ACTUALLY, PHYSICS LESSONS CAN BE MORE FUN THAN HANGING OUT WITH YOU!
OH, VERY FUNNY, TARANEE!

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GOOD, SO WE'VE FINALLY MET! WHAT'S THE GAME PLAN?
FOUR BORING HOURS OF LESSONS, THEN A QUICK TRIP HOME SO YOU CAN UNPACK!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, WHERE'S YOUR LUGGAGE?
IN THE GYM.
OKAY! WE'LL PICK IT UP LATER!
THEN THERE'S A PARTY TONIGHT! YOU'VE GOT PERMISSION TO RAID MY WARDROBE!
THAT'S VERY KIND OF YOU.
Jain
LISTEN TO HER!
Jain
YOU KNOW, SHE'S ONLY LENDING YOU HER CLOTHES BECAUSE THEY'RE HORRIBLE!
!
OH, NOW...
LET'S GO! PEOPLE HERE SEEM TO BE IN A REALLY NASTY MOOD!
OOPS! OKAY, IF YOU SAY SO!
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TIME TO... CELEBRATE?
HUH?
TUNE
TUNE
TUNE
I'M SORRY ABOUT WHAT I SAID TO YOU THIS MORNING. I DON'T KNOW WHAT GOT INTO ME!
WE'RE ALL A BIT TENSE!
WITH ALL THE TESTS THESE DAYS, IT'S A MIRACLE WE EVEN REMEMBER OUR OWN NAMES!
AM I FORGIVEN?
ONLY IF YOU PROMISE ME ONE THING!
WHATEVER YOU WANT!
TUNE
TUNE
TUNE
LEAVE THE NICKNAME BLONDIE TO THE GRUMPER SISTERS!
MAN, I WAS REALLY TERRIBLE, WASN'T I?
IF I SAY THAT AGAIN, YOU HAVE MY PERMISSION TO CALL ME BY MY FULL NAME IN PUBLIC!
HA! HA! HA! YOU MEAN WILMA? I ALMOST FORGOT ABOUT THAT!

SLAM!
THAT'S IT!
?!
THIS TIME SHE'S GONE TOO FAR!
HAY LIN, WHAT'S WRONG?
IF YOU GUYS SEE IRMA, TELL HER TO TIE HER TONGUE IN A KNOT AND TURN INTO A TOAD FOR GOOD!
I'M GOING HOME!
HAVE YOU EVER SEEN HAY LIN SO ANGRY BEFORE?
NEVER!
"LET'S TAKE A LOOK!"
WITCH-WITCH DO YOU SWITCH WITH YOUR WATCH
JOEL'S TAKEN OVER MATT'S PLACE AS SINGER!

TARA, DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN IRMA AND HAY?
WELL, IRMA'S PARTICULARLY LIVELY TONIGHT!
SHE'S BEING PRETTY MEAN!
YEAH, TO EVERYONE!
DID YOU ARGUE WITH HER, TOO?
LET'S JUST SAY I'M KEEPING MY DISTANCE!
WHERE IS SHE NOW?
"I DON'T KNOW, AND I DON'T CARE!"
I'M REALLY HAPPY WE ENDED UP TOGETHER!
ME, TOO!
AS THE **NEWEST KID** IN SCHOOL, YOU'VE **GOT TO LEND ME** YOUR CELL PHONE!
BUT... BUT... BUT...
BUT IT'S MINE!
THIS SCHOOL HAS ITS RULES! AND IF YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOOD FOR YOU, YOU'LL FOLLOW THEM!

DO YOU WANT TO...
I'M IN!
O-OKAY, HERE!
GO ON!
TUMP
OOPS... SORRY, URIAH!
THUD
I JUST DID THAT ON PURPOSE!
WANT TO BE THE WISE GUY, LAIR?
WELL, I'M GONNA...
CRACK
TUNC
UGH...
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HA! HA! HA!
THAT FELT GOOD! REAL GOOD!
YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS, LAIR!
I CAN'T WAIT!
NOBODY'S EVER TAUGHT URIAH A LESSON LIKE THAT!
YOU GUYS WERE FABULOUS!
OH, WE KNOW!
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
THANKS, REALLY!
MY PLEASURE.
HEY, WILL YOU MARRY ME?
SURE! IS WEDNESDAY AT THREE OKAY?
IRMA?

COULD I TALK TO YOU FOR A MOMENT?
NOW?
A Recap
WHAT IS IT? DOES MISS CENTER STAGE WANT TO GET CLOSER TO THE SPOTLIGHT...
I JUST...
...AND BE THE CENTER OF ATTENTION, LIKE ALWAYS?
OH, YOU CAN KEEP THE SPOTLIGHT!
BUT GIVE IT A BREAK!
MAYBE YOU SHOULD CALM DOWN!
STAY OUT OF THIS!
EXCUSE ME. DON'T SHOUT AT ME! DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE OVERREACTING?
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YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT US!
BUT I KNOW WHAT I'VE SEEN!
WHO ARE YOU TO THINK YOU CAN JUST...
HI HI HI
FRUP
FRUP
FRUP
PT
VOOOSSHHH
HA! HA! HA! YOU SHOULD SEE THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE!
UNFORTUNATELY, YOURS IS THE ONLY ONE I SEE RIGHT NOW!
GO AHEAD AND ENJOY THE PARTY...
DID YOU SEE ALL THAT?
YEAH, UNFORTUNATELY!
OF COURSE, WE'RE STILL FRIENDS... NOT!

THERE'S NO EXCUSE FOR HOW SHE'S ACTING!
OR ANY EXPLANATION, EITHER!
FRANKLY, I WOULDN'T EVEN WANT TO HEAR IT. FOR ME, THE PARTY'S OVER!
WAIT! I'LL GO WITH YOU!
"I DON'T FEEL LIKE HANGING AROUND."
WHAT WAS IT LIKE, SEEING JOEL SINGING INSTEAD OF MATT?
I HAD AN ODD...
...UNCON-TROLLABLE...
"...FEELING OF EMPTINESS!"

"YOU'VE GOT TO SNEAK INTO THEIR LIVES!"
THAT WAS THE BEST PARTY I'VE EVER ATTENDED!
I WISH IT COULD'VE LASTED FOREVER!
WELL, NOW IT'S OVER. TIME TO HIT THE SACK, YOU TWO!
BUT FIRST, A NICE, WARM GLASS OF MILK!
SORRY, DAD, BUT YOU'VE BEEN OUTRANKED!
SIGH! MY AUTHORITY'S NO GOOD ANYMORE!
9 PM, AT THE LAIRS'.
"YOU'VE GOT TO UNDERMINE THEIR TRANQUILITY!"

NOW OFF TO BED, GIRLS!
YOU NEED TO GET UP EARLY TOMORROW MORNING!
WELL, SO DO I, REMEMBER?
I'M THE ONE WHO HAS TO DROP THEM OFF! WHY AREN'T YOU WORRIED ABOUT ME?
BECAUSE YOU'RE MY BIG, STRONG, HEROIC HUSBAND!
THAT WOMAN'S GOT ME WRAPPED AROUND HER LITTLE FINGER!
I NOTICED.
COME ON! I'LL SHOW YOU OUR ROOM!
I CALL DIBS ON THE BATHROOM!

YOU CAN PUT YOUR THINGS IN HERE.
THANKS!
EMERGENCY!
TOC
MATH
WHAT IS IT, YOU LITTLE MONSTER?
I FORGOT TO DO MY HOMEWORK...
YOU DON'T THINK YOU COULD...
SURE I COULD, IF...
IF?
IF YOU DO ALL MY CHORES FOR ONE WHOLE WEEK!
BLACKMAILER!
DON'T BOTHER ME OR I'LL GET THE ANSWERS WRONG!

"YOU'VE GOT TO WIN HER TRUST!"
EVERYTHING OKAY?
YOU HAVE A NICE FAMILY, YOU KNOW THAT?
YEAH, THAT'S TRUE... EVEN CHRISTOPHER ISN'T AS ANNOYING AS HE SEEMS.
I USED TO HAVE A BROTHER, TOO! BUT HE WAS OLDER THAN ME.
FRUUUSH

I'M REALLY GLAD YOU ENDED UP HERE WITH ME, YOU KNOW?
YEAH.
YOU WOULDN'T SAY THAT IF YOU REALLY KNEW ME!
THAT'S YOUR SPOT! IF WE GO TO BED NOW, WE'LL GET ENOUGH SLEEP!
RIGHT! TOMORROW IS GOING TO BE A BUSY DAY!
INSTEAD, HOURS LATER...
AND THEN, YOU'VE GOT TO MEET JOEL. YAWWWN... I'LL TAKE YOU TO GOLDEN AND...
AT LAST.
RON ZZZ RON

TEAR THEM APART. YOU'VE GOT TO SNEAK INTO THEIR LIVES...
YOU'VE GOT TO WIN HER OVER TO YOUR SIDE!
AND THEN YOU CAN ATTACK THE OTHERS...
IT'S TIME...
YOU'RE GOING TO BE ON MY SIDE!
TRIIN
MY THOUGHTS WILL BE OUR THOUGHTS.
TRRI RIN!

IT WOULD BE SO EASY TO ATTACK YOU NOW, BUT I'D BE ALL ALONE AGAINST THE OTHERS, AND TECLA DOESN'T WANT TO RISK IT!
SEEING YOU LIKE THIS, YOU SEEM LIKE A NICE PERSON...
PAT PAT
YOU EVEN GAVE ME YOUR BED. THAT WAS KIND...
Starred by Rapaus
IT'S A SHAME I KNOW WHO YOU REALLY ARE.
ENJOY YOUR LAST NIGHT, 'CAUSE TOMORROW, YOU'RE GOING TO PAY! YOU'RE ALL GOING TO PAY!

FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING.
HAVE YOU GUYS SEEN IRMA?
YEAH, BUT SHE DIDN'T EVEN BOTHER LOOKING AT US!
WHEN I SAID HI, SHE TURNED HER BACK ON ME!
MAYBE SHE'S JUST TIRED AND GROUCHY!
OR SHE'S POUTING BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY.
SPEAKING OF WHICH, I THOUGHT ABOUT THAT ALL NIGHT.
AND I'VE REACHED THE CONCLUSION THAT THERE'S SOMETHING **STRANGE** ABOUT ERIN!
SHE'S NOT STRANGE. SHE'S **UNBEARABLE!**

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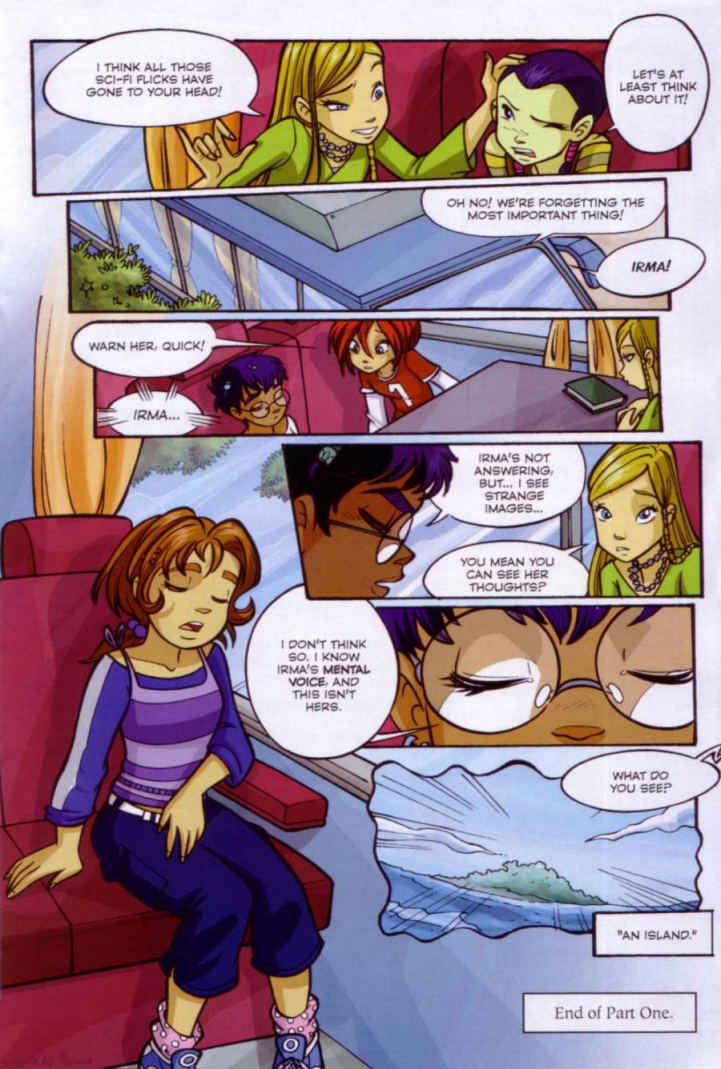
AHEM... I JUST WANTED TO APOLOGIZE FOR YESTERDAY. YOU PROBABLY GOT A WRONG IMPRESSION OF US.
WE DON'T NORMALLY ARGUE LIKE THAT...
REALLY?
WELL, IF WE ALWAYS ARGUED...
...YOU'D CONJURE UP A TORNADO TO CLEAR THE AIR?
W-WHAT?
DON'T PLAY DUMB WITH ME!
I KNOW WHO YOU GIRLS ARE AND I'LL TELL EVERYBODY UNLESS YOU GUYS STAY AWAY FROM ME!

IT'S NO USE STARING AT ME WITH THOSE WOEFUL EYES!
I'M NOT GOING TO TAKE PITY ON YOU, THE WAY YOU DIDN'T TAKE PITY ON MY PEOPLE WHEN YOU DESTROYED OUR LAND!
"YOU'RE KIDDING!"
SHE CAN'T HAVE SAID ANYTHING LIKE THAT!
NOT ONLY DID SHE SAY IT...
...BUT SHE SEEMED SO RESENTFUL!
COME ON! THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE!
NO OFFENSE, BUT YOUR POWER OF SENSING WHEN SOMEONE'S LYING IS OFTEN WRONG!
NOT THIS TIME!
IN ANY CASE, LET'S STAY ALERT AND KEEP AN EYE ON HER!
AND IF WE GET CLOSE TO ARGUING, LET'S TRY TO KEEP OUR MOUTHS SHUT.

THIS HEADACHE IS DRIVING ME CRAZY!
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE TRYING TO RESIST.
DON'T. LET MY THOUGHTS TAKE OVER.
GO TO SLEEP. YOU'LL FEEL BETTER LATER ON.
SO WHAT IF WHAT ERIN SAID WAS TRUE SOMEHOW?
DON'T YOU THINK WE'D KNOW THAT?
WHAT IF THE DESTRUCTION OF HER PEOPLE DEPENDED ON SOMETHING...
!!!
...WE CAUSED WITHOUT MEANING TO?


I THINK ALL THOSE SCI-FI FLICKS HAVE GONE TO YOUR HEAD!
LET'S AT LEAST THINK ABOUT IT!
OH NO! WE'RE FORGETTING THE MOST IMPORTANT THING!
IRMA!
WARN HER, QUICK!
IRMA...
IRMA'S NOT ANSWERING, BUT... I SEE STRANGE IMAGES...
YOU MEAN YOU CAN SEE HER THOUGHTS?
I DON'T THINK SO. I KNOW IRMA'S MENTAL VOICE, AND THIS ISN'T HERS.
WHAT DO YOU SEE?
"AN ISLAND."
End of Part One.

"A BEAUTIFUL ISLAND!"
IT'S LIKE I'M INSIDE IRMA'S DREAMS...
WHAT ELSE DO YOU SEE?
WELL?
"PEOPLE RUNNING."
SHHHH...
DON'T MAKE ME BREAK MY CONCENTRATION...
SOMETHING REALLY STRANGE IS HAPPENING IN IRMA'S MIND. IT'S MORE THAN A DREAM. IT'S MORE LIKE...

"...A NIGHTMARE..."
"...AND THE PEOPLE IN IT..."
NOOOOOO!
"...SEEM SO..."

"...REAL!"
NOOOOOO!!!
KAAAADER!

UNGGHH... NOOO... NO!
WHAT ARE YOU WHINING ABOUT? AREN'T YOU GLAD TO SHARE MY THOUGHTS? HA! HA! HA!
I LOST CONTACT...
TARA, WHAT DID YOU SEE?
IT'S... IT'S INCREDIBLE! IN IRMA'S DREAM, ERIN WAS THERE AND... A BUNCH OF RAGORLANGS!
WHAT???
MAYBE IRMA JUST HAD A HEAVY BREAKFAST...
IT'S NOT FUNNY. THERE'S SOMETHING REALLY STRANGE ABOUT THIS! I'M GOING TO TRY TO GET IN TOUCH WITH IRMA AGAIN...
IRMA...
THERE! I'M BACK! AND I SEE...

"...US!"
"AND WE DEFINITELY AREN'T..."
"...IN GOOD COMPANY!"

"AND ERIN..."
"...IS BEING TOLD THINGS ABOUT US..."
"...BUT THEY'RE ALL LIES!"
SKEEKK

SKREEK
WE'RE HERE! EVERYBODY OUT!
BUS
BUS

OH, NO! SO YOU ACTUALLY SAW TECLA?
YEAH, AND RAGORLANGG! AND A DESPERATE ERIN!
GO STRAIGHT INTO THE THEATER, TO YOUR ASSIGNED SEATS...

...AND BEHAVE YOURSELVES, IF THAT'S POSSIBLE!
IRMA, I NEED TO TALK TO YOU RIGHT NOW! IN PRIVATE!

GO AHEAD!
LISTEN CAREFULLY! YOU'RE IN DANGER AND...
YOU'RE WRONG. YOU'RE THE ONES IN DANGER.

I'M NOT GOING TO TAKE PITY ON YOU, THE WAY YOU DIDN'T TAKE PITY ON MY PEOPLE WHEN YOU DESTROYED OUR LAND!
!!!
HOW DID IT GO?
BADLY, BUT AT LEAST I THINK I FIGURED SOMETHING OUT!
"AND IT'S NOT AT ALL REASSURING!"
SO WHAT I SAW WERE ERIN'S MEMORIES!
WHICH MEANS TECLA AND HER RAGORLANG ARE ON OUR HEELS.
I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT HER AGAIN! AFTER WHAT SHE DID TO ME, I'M SCARED!
I'M AFRAID SHE'S DONE EVEN WORSE TO ERIN!
AND NOW, SHE'S THE PROBLEM WE'RE UP AGAINST!
WE NEED TO GET HER OFF OUR BACKS, AND FAST!

DON'T YOU THINK TRANSFORMING AND ATTACKING HER NOW WOULD BE A LITTLE TOO OBVIOUS?
LET'S WAIT, FOR THE TIME BEING. SHE WON'T DO ANYTHING DURING THE PERFORMANCE!

BUT ABOVE ALL, I DON'T REALLY WANT TO ATTACK HER.
THAT'S EXACTLY MY POINT. I DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO IRMA IF WE ATTACKED ERIN.

ARE YOU KIDDING ME?! SHE'S TAKEN OVER IRMA'S MIND!

MY SEAT'S HERE.
IRMA AND ERIN?

UP THERE!
KEEP AN EYE ON THEM!

HURRY UP! YOU'RE THE ONLY ONES STILL STANDING!
RIGHT AWAY, MS. KNICKERBOCHER!

PAF!
OHHH...
I COULDN'T HAVE SET THE STAGE BETTER MYSELF!
GRRR
PAF
WONDERFUL...
WHAT ARE THEY...

PAF
HALE, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
WHEREVER I WANT!
WHAT'S CORNELIA DOING?
PAF
I DON'T KNOW, AND I DON'T LIKE IT!
ERIN ISN'T IN THE BALCONY ANYMORE!
LET'S FOLLOW CORNY!
SORRY! SORRY! SO SORRY!
HEY, WE CAN'T SEE A THING!

I'M HERE BECAUSE ERIN WANTED ME TO COME HERE... SHE'S DRAWING ME CLOSER... I NEED TO TRY TO RESIST!
HERE YOU ARE, MISS HALE. WE WERE EXPECTING YOU...
YOU MIGHT HAVE GOTTEN INTO IRMA'S MIND, BUT I'M WARNING YOU, I'M MUCH MORE HARDHEADED!
WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT!
POWERS OF EAR...
DON'T MOVE!
I CAN'T DO IT...
YOU WANT TO SUMMON YOUR MONSTER, DON'T YOU? WHAT DO YOU CALL IT? THE RAGORLANG!
OR MAYBE YOU CAN'T DO IT ALONE?

NONE OF US CAN!
DESPITE WHAT YOU MAY THINK, WE'RE NOT THE ONES WHO CREATED THE RAGORLANG!
DO YOU WANT TO SEE WHO WE REALLY ARE?
HEART OF KANDRAKAR!
AIR!
FIRE!
AND EARTH!
WATER?!?
?
NOT QUITE...
ERIN'S INFLUENCE IS STOPPING IRMA FROM COMPLETELY TRANSFORMING.
WE'VE GOT A SECRET...
...BUT WE DECIDED TO SHARE IT WITH YOU, BECAUSE YOU'RE IN DANGER, AND YOU SHOULDN'T BE AFRAID...

I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOU!
Trills
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS!
STAY CALM, CORNELIA!
WAMMM
YOU AND YOUR MONSTERS ARE EVIL AND I... I HATE YOU!
BUT WE DON'T MEAN TO HURT YOU!
SOMEONE'S USING YOU TO GET TO US...
DOES THE NAME TECLA IBSEN MEAN ANYTHING TO YOU?
DON'T YOU DARE MENTION HER NAME AGAIN. SHE SAVED MY LIFE!
THAT'S WHAT SHE WANTS YOU TO BELIEVE. SHE WAS THE ONE WHO CONJURED UP THE RAGORLANGS. SHE PLOTTED TO GET YOU HERE, TO US...

TARANEE ACCIDENTALLY SAW YOUR THOUGHTS IN IRMA'S MIND. SHE SAW EVERYTHING. TECLA, THE RAGORLANGS, AND A BOY...
THAT'S MY BROTHER! I LOST HIM BECAUSE OF YOU. TECLA EXPLAINED IT ALL TO ME!
TECLA CAN MAKE YOU BELIEVE WHATEVER SHE WANTS. SHE HAS THE POWER TO MANIPULATE MINDS, AND EVEN ABSORB THE ENERGY OF HUMAN BEINGS...
I ENDED UP IN HER CLUTCHES, TOO...
IT WAS HORRIBLE. MY THOUGHTS WERE BEING STOLEN FROM ME. I COULD FEEL MY WORDS ABANDONING ME ONE BY ONE...
AND THEN I FELT LIKE SOMEONE WAS TAKING OVER ME...
THE SAME INDESCRIBABLE FEELING I HAD!

AFTER THE ATTACK ON HAY LIN, WE THOUGHT WE'D PUT AN END TO TECLA FOREVER. BUT YOU'RE PROOF THAT WE WERE WRONG...
YEAH... SHE'S PROBABLY OUT TO GET OUR ENERGY! AND SHE SAW YOU AS AN IDEAL PAWN TO GET TO US!
ACTUALLY, SHE STRICTLY FORBID ME TO HURT YOU...
OF COURSE! SHE NEEDS US TO HAVE OUR FULL POWERS SO SHE COULD ABSORB THEM ALL!
LISTEN, THINGS DIDN'T HAPPEN THE WAY SHE TOLD YOU. MAYBE YOUR BROTHER DIDN'T ACTUALLY DISAPPEAR...
...AND WE CAN HELP YOU FIND HIM!
YOU REALLY MEAN IT?
WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU SAYING, WILL?
GIVE US THE CHANCE TO SHOW YOU WE'RE NOT LYING. TRY TO TRUST US, AND THIS, TOO!
?
WE'VE GOT TO TRY, FOR IRMA'S SAKE!

WE'VE GOT TO TRY TO SEE YOUR MEMORIES FROM ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW. IF WE COMBINE OUR POWERS WITH YOURS, WE CAN DO IT...
BUT FIRST, FREE IRMA!
OKAY, I'M IN. BUT IRMA REMAINS MY PRISONER. IF YOU PLAY ANY TRICKS, SHE'LL PAY FOR IT!
YOU'LL BE FREE SOON...
NOW, ERIN, CONCENTRATE ON WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU. WE'LL INTERCEPT YOUR THOUGHTS...
GIRLS, WHERE ARE YOU HIDING???

LAAAAIRRR! VAAAANDOM!
DID YOU SEE THAT, GUYS? IT WAS TECLA! OH NO, IT'S THE PRINCIPAL!

I HEARD THEIR VOICES IN THERE!
AND STRANGE NOISES, TOO!

GUYS... LET'S CHANGE BACK!

WAAAM
Puff

WHAT ARE YOU FIVE... I MEAN, SIX... DOING HERE?!
THEY WERE WHISPERING ON THE BUS! THEY'RE UP TO SOMETHING!
I'M SORRY, MA'AM, BUT...
BUT NOTHING!
THIS TIME, THERE'S NO ESCAPING A JUST PUNISHMENT!
I CAN'T WAIT TO WRITE THIS! IT'LL BE A SCOOP FOR THE SCHOOL PAPER!
AND MAKE IT A VERY SEVERE PUNISHMENT!
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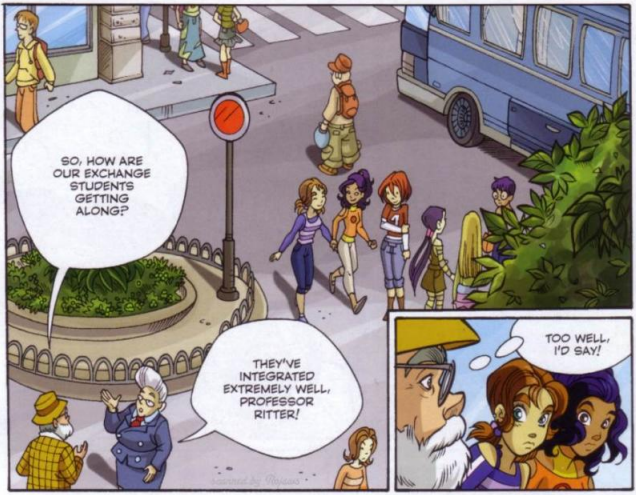
AND MAKE IT A VERY SEVERE PUNISHMENT!
COURTNEY! BESS! FOR ONE MONTH, YOU'LL BE DOING TWICE THE HOMEWORK ASSIGNED TO YOU AND WILL SUBMIT THEM TO ME PERSONALLY!
WHAT?
WHAT HAVE WE GOT TO DO WITH THIS?

NOW LET'S GO BACK TO OUR SEATS. AND NO MORE RUNNING OFF!
BUT IT'S NOT FAIR!
SO YOU'VE DECIDED TO TRUST US!
NOT SO FAST... I JUST WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT WHO YOU REALLY ARE...
BUT REMEMBER, I STILL CONTROL IRMA'S MIND. ONE FALSE MOVE, AND I'LL WIPE IT OUT COMPLETELY!
THEN IRMA'S NOT RUNNING ANY RISKS!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO HARSH! ANYBODY WHO SAVES US FROM THE PRINCIPAL AND GETS THE GRUMPERS INTO TROUBLE IS A FRIEND OF OURS!
WE'RE NOT FRIENDS AND I DIDN'T DO IT FOR YOU. I NEED YOU.
IF YOU SAY YOU NEED US, IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE STARTING TO BELIEVE IN US. AND BELIEVING IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS FRIENDSHIP!


SO, HOW ARE OUR EXCHANGE STUDENTS GETTING ALONG?
THEY'VE INTEGRATED EXTREMELY WELL, PROFESSOR RITTER!
TOO WELL, I'D SAY!

"TECLA WON'T BE PLEASED!"
I DON'T SEE HOW AN OLD BOOKSHOP CAN HELP ME!
WAIT AND SEE! THERE'S SOMETHING IN THERE THAT YOU WON'T BELIEVE!

AND WHAT'S THIS LITTLE FURBALL? YOU'RE RIGHT! IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE ANYTHING COULD BE SO UGLY!
HE'S NOT WHAT WE'RE HERE TO SHOW YOU...

...THIS IS!
ZAMP

THE MAGIC PORTAL WORKS BY FOLLOWING OUR EMOTIONS...
IF ALL OF US CAN WISH INTENSELY FOR THE SAME THING...
...AND REALLY BELIEVE IN OURSELVES, TRUSTING ONE ANOTHER...
...THEN MAYBE...
...WE'LL MANAGE TO FIND...
...YOUR BROTHER...
...KADER!

THAT'S HIM, ISN'T IT?
YES!
WHAT...
YOU MEAN THAT'S YOUR BROTHER?
MAYBE YOU FORGOT A FEW DETAILS WHEN YOU DESCRIBED HIM.
I SAW HIM FIRST, SO I'VE GOT DIBS!

IRMA, YOU'RE FREE!
WHO'S THERE? WHO'S SPEAKING?
I WAS JUST SAYING I HAD A HEADACHE... WHERE'S THE BUS? WHAT ARE WE DOING HERE? BUT MOST OF ALL...
WHO'S THE HUNK? I MEAN, I KNOW WHO HE IS... BUT HOW DO I KNOW THAT?
I'LL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING TO YOU. I JUST HOPE YOU CAN FORGIVE ME!
NOW CAN YOU TAKE ME TO HIM?
IT WOULD BE BETTER IF HE CAME HERE!
THE PROBLEM IS THAT THIS PORTAL IS A PROBLEM!
HEY! IT SWITCHED OFF! BUT...
WAAAMM

WHAT'S GOING...
ERIN!
IT... IT CAN'T BE!
SOB! I ADORE SEEING PEOPLE REUNITED!
COULD YOU NOT ADORE IT ON MY SLEEVE?
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU FOR SO LONG!
I THOUGHT I'D LOST YOU FOREVER!
"THAT MONSTER TOOK YOU AWAY AND I COULDN'T FIND YOU ANYMORE... I'VE NEVER FORGOTTEN THAT MOMENT! I MANAGED TO LEAD ALL OUR PEOPLE TO SAFETY THROUGH ONE OF OUR MAGICAL PASSAGEWAYS... ALL OF THEM EXCEPT YOU!"

I NEVER THOUGHT THIS JOYOUS OCCASION WOULD COME!
NEITHER DID I!
AND IT'S THANKS TO THEM THAT I FOUND YOU AGAIN!
HELLO!
HI, I'M IRMA, ERIN'S FUTURE SISTER-IN-LAW!
THEN I IMAGINE YOU'LL BE LEAVING WITH US NOW!
GULP!
I'M STAYING HERE!
WHY? YOUR PLACE IS IN OUR PEOPLE'S NEW LAND.
WHY WOULD YOU STAY HERE?
I NEED TO HELP SOME FRIENDS!
OH, ERIN!

SHE WAS THE VICTIM OF THE SAME MONSTER THAT ATTACKED US. AND NOW THAT THING IS OUT TO GET THEM.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT US!
WE'RE USED TO BEING CHASED DOWN BY MONSTERS!
REALLY, YOU DON'T NEED TO!
MAYBE NOT...
BUT IT'S ONLY FAIR.
I HAVE A DEBT OF HONOR TOWARDS THEM!
THEN I'LL STAY HERE TOO, UNTIL YOU'RE READY TO LEAVE!
I'VE GOT A REALLY COZY GUEST ROOM!
YOU COULD STAY IN OUR ATTIC!
KADER WILL REMAIN HERE IN THE BOOKSHOP...

...WITH WEE!
HE SEEMS TO LIKE YOU!
NOW TELL ME EVERYTHING YOU KNOW ABOUT TECLA! YOU CAN LEAVE OUT THE FACT THAT SHE'S A LIAR! I ALREADY KNOW THAT BY NOW!
WELL, WHEN I MET HER, SHE SEEMED LIKE A NICE PERSON. BUT...
...BUT I'M STILL TOO WEAK!
THERE'S NO POINT IN TRYING. SOON, I'LL RECOVER ALL MY POWERS!
CLACK
?
KARL!
HERE I AM, MY DEAR!
WHERE'S ERIN? WHERE ARE HAY LIN AND THE OTHER GIRLS? WHY AREN'T THEY HERE?

I WENT TO PICK THEM UP, JUST LIKE WE'D PLANNED, BUT ERIN WALKED OFF WITH THEM. THEY DIDN'T SEEM TO BE UNDER HER CONTROL!
CURSES!
I NEED THE GIRLS' ENERGY TO REGENERATE!
MY RAGORLANG IS WEAK!
I KNOW.
DON'T WORRY, DEAR. TOGETHER, WE CAN DO IT!
HA! HA! HA! YOU'RE SUCH A ROMANTIC, KARL!
WELL, THOSE GIRLS WILL BE MINE SOONER THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE!

NOT FAR AWAY...
HERE WE ARE!
I'LL GO BACK TO THE BOOKSHOP... AND REMEMBER TO FIND SOME TERRESTRIAL CLOTHES FOR ME. I DON'T WANT TO LOOK CONSPICUOUS!
I'M SO HAPPY I'VE FOUND YOU AGAIN, KADER! IT'S A DREAM COME TRUE.
SLEEP WELL, DEAR SISTER...
DESPITE EVERYTHING, THIS SEEMS LIKE A PEACEFUL PLACE!
I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW!
IT'S NICE TO HEAR YOU SAY THAT!
BUT MAYBE "PEACEFUL" ISN'T THE RIGHT WORD.
SHEFFIELD INSTITUTE
HAY LIN
I'M GETTING CLOSER!
End of Episode.